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FM AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4244

INFO AMCONSUL BOMBAY

AMCONSUL CALCUTTA

AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

AMCONSUL KARACHI

AMCONSUL LAHORE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CASC EAIR IN PK

SUBJECT: MISSING US AIRCRAFT

REF: STATE 216291

1. AT 1100 HOURS IST OCTOBER 2 DELHI FLIGHT INFORMATION  
CENTER HAD NO INFORMATION ON THE MISSING AIRCRAFT.

2. EMBASSY SPOKE SAME DATE WITH MR. YADAV, CONTROLLER OF  
AERODROME OPERATIONS, OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF CIVIL  
AVIATION. YADAV IS OFFICIAL PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE FOR INDIAN  
SEARCH FOR MISSING AIRCRAFT. YADAV SAID ON SEPTEMBER 28 INDIAN  
AIR FORCE SEARCHED AIRWAY GREEN 52 FROM DELHI TO PAK BORDER,  
AIRWAY RED 60 EAST OF DELHI TO CALCUTTA, AND AIRWAY EXTENDING  
SOUTHWEST OF DELHI OVER JODHPUR IN RAJASTHAN. SEARCH CREWS  
REPORTED TO YADAV THAT THEY FOUND NOTHING AND AIR SEARCH HAS  
BEEN DISCONTINUED.

3. YADAV SAID THAT IT IS VERY UNLIKELY DOWNED PLANE  
COULD GO VERY LONG UNREPORTED EAST OF DELHI OWING TO  
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HIGH POPULATION DENSITY ALONG VIRTUALLY WHOLE ROUTE.

CONVERSELY, HE SAID, DESERT AREAS OF WESTERN RAJASTHAN AND SIND  
IN PAKISTAN ARE SPARSELY POPULATED AND CHARACTERIZED BY BLOWING  
SAND THAT COULD QUICKLY CONCEAL DISABLED AIRCRAFT FROM  
AERIAL VIEW. YADAV'S VIEW IS THAT BECAUSE PLANE FAILED TO MAKE  
APPOINTED RADIO CONTACT AT RAHIMYAR KHAN, IT SEEMS LIKELY THAT  
PLANE RAN INTO DIFFICULTY BEFORE REACHING THERE, I.E. IN SIND  
AT SOME POINT MORE THAN 100 MILES OUT OF KARACHI, BUT  
SHORT OF RAHIMYAR KHAN.SCHNEIDER

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